

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

OCEAN GOVERNANCE AND POLICY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard concluded a hearing to examine the future of ocean governance, focusing on building national ocean policy, after receiving testimony from Nancy H. Sutley, Chair, White House Council on Environmental Quality; Jane Lubchenco, Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; Admiral Thad W. Allen, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; Laura Davis, Associate Deputy Secretary of the Interior; Billy Frank, Jr., Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission, Olympia, Washington; and Dennis Takahashi-Kelso, Ocean Conservancy, Matthew Paxton, Ball Janik, on behalf of the Coastal Conservation Association, and Carolyn Elefant, Ocean Renewable Energy Coalition, all of Washington, D.C.

NATIONAL PARKS BILLS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks concluded a hearing to examine S. 1369, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Molalla River in the State of Oregon, as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 1405, to redesignate the Longfellow National Historic Site, Massachusetts, as the "Longfellow House-Washington's Headquarters National Historic Site", S. 1413, to amend the Adams National Historical Park Act of 1998 to include the Quincy Homestead within the boundary of the Adams National Historical Park, S. 1767 and H.R. 1121, bills to authorize a land exchange to acquire land for the Blue Ridge Parkway from the Town of Blowing Rock, North Carolina, S. Res. 275, honoring the Minute Man National Historical Park on the occasion of its 50th anniversary, H.R. 2802, to provide for an extension of the legislative authority of the Adams Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in honor of former President John Adams and his legacy, H.R. 3113, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Elk River in the State of West Virginia for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and H.R. 1287, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into a partnership with the Porter County Convention, Recreation and Visitor Commission regarding the use of the Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center as a visitor center for the Indiana Dunes

National Lakeshore, after receiving testimony from Senator Kirk; and Katherine H. Stevenson, Assistant Director, Business Services, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee continued consideration of S. 1733, to create clean energy jobs, promote energy independence, reduce global warming pollution, and transition to a clean energy economy, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Thursday, November 5.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Michael W. Punke, of Montana, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, Department of State, who was introduced by Senator Enzi, Islam A. Siddiqui, of Virginia, to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, and Michael F. Mundaca, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Daniel W. Yohannes, of Colorado, to be Chief Executive Officer, Millennium Challenge Corporation, who was introduced by Senator Bennet, and Jide J. Zeitlin, of New York, to be Alternate Representative to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Representative to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, and to be Representative to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador, Frederick D. Barton, of Maine, to be Representative of the United States of America on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and Carmen Lomellin, of Virginia, to be Permanent Representative to the Organization of American States, with the rank of Ambassador, all of the Department of State, and Gustavo Arnavat, of New York, to be United States Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 1649, to prevent the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, to prepare for attacks using